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Magistrate Judge Joseph C. Spero United States District Court, Northern District of California Courtroom A, 15th Floor 450 Golden Gate Avenue San Francisco, California 94102

Re: Ennix v. Alta Bates Summit Medical Center, Case No. C 07-2486 WHA

Dear Magistrate Judge Spero:

At today's hearing I promised to follow up with Court and identify the specific data Plaintiff seeks that is regularly reviewed by the Cardiothoracic Peer Review Committee and its Performance Improvement Council. I have attached to this letter the one-page agenda to which I referred in today's hearing. The relevant entry is under heading IV.A.3: "STS by MD 2003-2nd qtr. 2004."

I have also attached a page from Dr. Russell Stanten's deposition in which he discusses this agenda and describes this particular data as follows: "I believe it has to do with the mortality rates and other STS data, such as stroke, return to surgery for any cause, sternal wound infection for any cause, and then it was provided by individual surgeon."

This is the surgeon-specific, quarterly data we believe the hospital regularly maintains and that Plaintiff needs to review. Please let me know if the Court wants any additional information regarding this issue.

Sincerely,

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cc: Matthew Vandall (via facsimile)

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Performance Improvement Council/ Peer Review Meeting August 23, 2004

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- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 3, 2004
- III. PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT
 - A. HOSPITAL ISSUES
 - 1. Administrative update A. Bengtson
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 - 3. Staffing / Bed Issues N. Brosnan
 - 4. Tele monitoring post OHS J. Mendoza
 - 5. Verbal order compliance (pg. 5)
 - 6. Equipment Issues
 - B. OUTCOMES
 - Critical Care Performance Improvement C. Wong
 - a. Extubation Data (pg.6-9)
 - b. Self-Extubation Pl Report (pg. 10)
 - c. Medication Profile PI Report (pg. 11)
 - d. Donor Site Infection PI Report (pg. 12)
 - 2. Infection Control Report J. Wrobel (pg. 13-20)
 - 3. CT Surgery Profile (pg. 21)
 - 4. Isolated CABG Data 2003 A. Mulligan (pg. 22)
- IV. ADJOURNMENT OF P.I. MEETING FOR PEER REVIEW PORTION
 - A. MONITORING AND EVALUATION
 - 1. August Case Review
 - 2. Blood use
 - 3. STS by MD 2003- 2nd qtr. 2004
- V. ADJOURNMENT
- VI. ATTACHMENTS

NEXT MEETING

- data that's surgeon specific.
- 2 Q. Can you give me an approximation of when blood
- 3 use data was communicated surgeon-specific?
- 4 A. Probably 2005 or 2006.
- 5 Q. And in the third heading, STS by M.D., M.D.
- 6 means doctor, right?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. What does STS mean?
- 9 A. Society of Thoracic Surgeons.
- 10 Q. What type of data is conveyed in that part of
- 11 the meeting?
- 12 A. I don't recall specifically, but I believe it
- has to do with the mortality rates and other STS data,
- 14 such as stroke, return to surgery for any cause, sternal
- 15 wound infection for any cause, and then it was provided
- 16 by individual surgeon.
- 17 Q. In your peer review meetings before February
- of 2004, did you review data that gave you any concern
- 19 about Dr. Ennix?
- 20 MS. McCLAIN: Objection. Compound, vaque.
- 21 THE WITNESS: I don't recall any specific
- 22 data. Even the data that was presented at these
- meetings by surgeon, the surgeon name was blinded, it
- 24 was coded and only the surgeon knew who he was.
- MR. EMBLIDGE: Q. You say you didn't know